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FIGHT IN BEAR DEN.

Two of the Inhabitants Engage in a Fierce Combat.

New York, Aug. 14.—As a result of a fight between two inmates of the bear den in the Bronx zoological gardens, one bear is in the hospital, figuratively speaking, and may come out only in shape to be made into bear steaks, while another is proudly strutting up and down inside his cage proclaiming his victory in bear language.

The victorious member of the bruin family is Admiral, a nine hundred pound Russian brown bear. The animal that lost the fight is Mike, a Yezo bear, which species has its habitat in Japan. Admiral's cage is number two and adjoins number three, in which Mike dwells. The two have been on bad terms for a long time, but the iron bars kept them at a safe distance. Admiral, according to the keepers of the bear den, has been scheming to get past the barriers, and finally found a way. At the rear end of the dividing line of iron bars several had become rusted nearly through. Admiral discovered this and hurried himself against the bars, landing almost on top of Mike.

There was an immediate mix-up and when the keepers, attracted by the snarl of the combatants, reached the scene they found Admiral and Mike in a deadly embrace and slashing at each other with their long sharp claws. Soon there were ten keepers on the ground, prodding the bears with the pike poles. The bears paid no attention to the keepers, and Admiral succeeded in getting Mike's throat between his teeth. At this juncture a keeper landed on Admiral with a blow that made him let go. Mike availed himself of the opportunity to send a safe retreat. Then Admiral was driven into his own cage. Mike's wounds were attended to by the keepers and well as could be done with the bear still in an ugly mood, but the keepers are afraid that he is fatally hurt.

New Tunnel Boring Record.

Butte, Mont., Aug. 14.—Contractors driving the big St. Paul tunnel at Taft, Mont., on the route of the Pacific coast extension of the St. Paul railroad, broke all records for tunnel boring in America, when in June they pushed the bore 583 feet deeper into the mountain. When completed the tunnel will be 8,752 feet long. In July the tunnel was bored 32½ feet more, and on the first of this month it was 4,383 feet long.

Hold Up Man Killed.

Chicago, Aug. 14.—Leonard Smith, alias William Fay was shot and killed today in an attempt to rob a West

Madison street saloon. It was broad daylight and the street was occupied by many pedestrians when Smith, accompanied by two companions, entered the saloon. Their commands to hold up his hands was met by Lawrence McGraw, the bartender, with a fusillade of shots, one of which lodged in Smith's abdomen. The other two were arrested.

TAYLOR ON THE RAILROADS.

Writes a "Book for the Masses" on Government Control.

Carr W. Taylor, former attorney for the state railroad commission, has written and published a book called "The Railroad a Public Servant." It is described as "a book for the masses," and is a treatise of 112 pages advocating better government control of railroads.

Mr. Taylor says in his introduction: "The railroads in their obstinate fight against governmental control, have, among other things, contended that such control is impractical, and if put into effect to the extent now demanded by the people, would prove ruinous and that the public, as a necessary result, would receive much poorer service than it is now getting."

"It is the further purpose of this pamphlet to show that complete regulation of the railroads by the government is not only practical, but that it is absolutely necessary and will be beneficial instead of injurious to the railroads."

"The rights of the people in their business intercourse with the railroads and the obligations resting upon the railroads have been very clearly defined by the courts of this nation. Practically all the vital questions touching the control of transportation and of public service corporations by the government have been settled as will hereinafter clearly appear. The courts have, in almost every instance, done their whole duty in defining and preserving to the people all their rights in connection with the public service corporations."

Union Pacific to Colorado. No trip can surpass in pleasure and health a vacation spent in the Rockies. Low rates in effect every day from June 1 to September 30, 1908; \$17.50 for the round trip to Denver, Colorado Springs, Pueblo and other Colorado points via Union Pacific.

DIED OF HYDROPHOBIA.

Victim Declared He Did Not Believe in It to the Last.

New York, Aug. 14.—Although Conrad Steingruber laughed at the Christ hospital physicians in Jersey City, who said that he would die in 24 hours from the effects of a bite from a dog, the prophecy was fulfilled today. Steingruber said he was a disbeliever in hydrophobia, and that he would be around again in a few days. He rapidly grew worse, although he remained conscious until the end, and almost the last words he spoke were that he would get well. Steingruber was bitten by a dog a little over three weeks ago, but paid no attention to the bite, and when warned by his wife that he might develop rabies he merely laughed at her, saying hydrophobia had no terrors for him. On Monday last he began to show signs of rabies and consulted a physician. On Wednesday he called at the hospital and when offered a glass of water he was taken with a spasm. From that time until he died his suffering was intense.

HOWE AND CRUMMER LEAVE. Tax Commissioners Will Make Calls in Labette County.

Samuel T. Howe and S. C. Crummer, members of the state tax commission, packed their grips Thursday afternoon and started for Labette county, where they will put in the rest of the week trying to iron out the great row which has developed between the city of Parsons and the rest of the county. The towns of Oswego, Chopeta, and all others in the county except Mound Valley filed a tremendous kick with the state tax commission because the commission, in equalizing taxes, raised the county \$500,000 on the valuation returned. The smaller towns and the country districts sent a delegation of 20 men up here some weeks ago to protest against any increase. They claimed that Parsons, by its immense growth, has caused the rest of the county to go down hill, and the value of property to decrease. After hearing the arguments, the tax commission ordered certain changes in the assessment which tended to benefit the rest of the county at the expense of Parsons and Mound Valley.

The Parsons people emitted a terrific roar, and made such a disturbance that the commission has again decided to reopen the case, and this time will make a personal inspection of the situation, and see what is the trouble with Labette county.

STUBBS AT WAVERLY. Tells an Immense Crowd What He Knew of Legislative Grafts.

Waverly, Kan., Aug. 14.—Thursday's attendance at the Chamber of Commerce broke all previous records, being conservatively estimated at 12,000. Those who came to hear W. R. Stubbs, who told of alleged graft in the state legislature, and urged the citizens to be more patriotic.

Attorney General Jackson also spoke on law enforcement.

New Reserve Agent Banks. Washington, Aug. 14.—The Fourth National bank of Wichita is approved as reserve agent for the Commercial National bank of Hutchinson, Kan.; the Interstate National bank of Kansas City, Kan., for the First National bank of Wagoner, Ok., and the National Bank of Commerce of Kansas City for the Merchants and Farmers National bank of Carthage, Tex.

M'CORMICK BALKS.

He Refuses to Testify in the Kansas Suit.

Cyrus McCormick, the head of the harvester trust, has declined to give any testimony in the prosecution of the International Harvester company by the state.

Mr. McCormick was subpoenaed to appear and testify before Attorney General Jackson at Chicago, but he ignored the subpoena. He gave his testimony in the suit filed by the state of Missouri, and probably figures that this is all that anybody ought to know. He also answered the interrogatories which were propounded by the attorney general in written form, under the anti-trust inquisition law.

FRISCO BUSINESS INCREASING.

Larger Force to Be Employed in Big Shops at End.

Enid, Aug. 14.—Frank Burns, master mechanic of the Frisco in Kansas and Oklahoma, was here yesterday on a tour of inspection, returning yesterday evening to his headquarters at Montett, Mo. He was well pleased with what he found here and elsewhere in his territory. He found everything working in good shape at the Frisco shops here which are among the most extensive on the line. The car repairing force has been increased by the addition of several men and a larger number will be added probably in short time, as there is a great deal of work to be done in getting cars ready for the grain movement this fall and winter.

Superintendent A. J. Sams had an interesting trip in his tour of inspection over the south end of the line between here and Vernon, Tex., last week. He found that while the weather had produced bad effects in this immediate vicinity, there had been two or three good rains further south with great resultant benefits. Southeastern Oklahoma, he says, will have the greater crop this season ever seen in that section. Everybody along the line in that section is jubilant over the prospects.

FLEW OVER BERLIN.

New Style Airship Made Flight Lasting Nearly Three Hours.

Berlin, Aug. 14.—The new Paravel dirigible balloon which is constructed on the flexible system, made a flight over and around Berlin today that lasted two hours and 45 minutes. The start was made at Tegel. Various maneuvers against and with a moderate wind were carried out at an altitude ranging from 500 to 1,100 feet. The airship showed excellent stability and answered to the will of the pilot easily and satisfactorily. The ship returned and landed at the same spot whence it set out.

HE BUILT A FIRE UNDER HER.

Thirteen-Year-Old Boy Causes Death of a Woman.

New York, Aug. 14.—Thirteen-year-old Francisco de Basco was indicted yesterday for manslaughter in the first degree. He built a fire in Fordham park under the bench on which Mrs. Catherine McCormick lay asleep, causing her such severe injuries that she died. Things might have gone hard with the boy, but when he came up for pleading in Judge Crane's part of general sessions, District Attorney Jerome, who had taken some interest in the case, appeared to speak in his favor.

"This boy," said Mr. Jerome, "had no appreciation of what he was doing. I have made a personal investigation of the case. From all I can gather, I judge that he built the fire of newspapers expecting only to frighten the woman. He had seen other boys do the same thing—build bonfires under sleeping tramps in the park; he was merely imitating them."

"His parents live in Italy; he has only one relative in this country, a brother. I think what he needs is some one to look after him, and I recommend he be discharged and turned over to the Gerry society."

Following this recommendation Judge Crane handed over De Basco, who looked much frightened, to Superintendent Jenkins of the Gerry society, who said he would send him back to his parents.

UNIVERSAL LANGUAGE.

Danish Editor Says English Will Be Spoken by Everybody.

Chicago, Aug. 14.—English is destined to become the universal language of the world in the opinion of A. C. Meyer, member of the lower house of the Danish parliament and editor of the Danish newspaper, who spoke last night at a meeting of Chicago Scandinavians.

"We non-English speaking Europeans might as well recognize the fact that English is destined to become the universal language of the world," said the speaker. "There is no use shutting our eyes to it; it is bound to be so in the future. Things are going on in the European workingmen on the continent and in the Scandinavian nations are learning English. The English language will continue to spread until it is spoken by every nation and tribe in the world."

Papke Defeats Two.

Boston, Aug. 14.—"Bill" Papke of Illinois made short work of two bouts at the Albany Athletic club's meet last night. John Carroll of Brooklyn, N. Y., who was the first to meet him, was stopped in the second round that the referee stopped the fight. In the second bout Frank Mantell of Pawtucket, R. I., went down and out in the first round.

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Don't be so thoughtless as to overlook these ribbons. If you don't need them now, you will later. Why wait and pay six cents more for a yard. Tomorrow these are 19 cents.

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SURPLUS CAR INCREASE.

First Reported Since April 29, a Total of 308,650.

For the first time since April 29 the current bulletin of the American Railway association shows an increase in surplus cars, the total on July 22 having been 308,650 as against 303,560 on July 8, an increase of 5,110. The bulletin states, however, that shop reports show a decrease of 3,000 in the number of "bad order" cars during the same period, so that the net increase in idle cars fit for service is reduced to 2,110. The bulletin says further:

"Many marked improvement in the situation could hardly be looked for in July, which is normally a month of light business. The figures of 1907 show the car surplus higher in July than at any period prior to the depression which set in early in November."

It will be seen that the current bulletin discloses the first and important tendencies: the first, a check in the resumption of the use of freight cars throughout the country which had been going on rather rapidly for more than two months; second, the abandonment by the roads of their former policy of retiring damaged equipment without repairing and replacing it in the service by good order cars from the surplus stock. The latter represents what is probably the more important development of the two. The repair of damaged rolling stock is practically forced upon the roads at this time because of the indications of an early and heavy movement of crops to market.

of the crop movement, cars in shops or awaiting repairs not being accounted part of the surplus.

TRAFFIC INCREASING.

Tonnage Growing Larger on Lines East of Chicago.

Chicago, Ill., Aug. 14.—Traffic officials of the roads operating east from Chicago report that they are carrying an irregular volume of freight. The big eastern trunk lines, while still away below the normal prior to the beginning of the period of depression, are hauling a much larger tonnage than they were recently. The tonnage from the great industrial centers still is limited, but it is showing a steady tendency to increase.

There is a marked increase in the movement of building material. Shipments of westbound merchandise also are increasing steadily. There is a marked improvement of short haul tonnage, indicating that business in the smaller towns is improving steadily. Shipments of coal are not as large as they usually are at this time of year, but an early improvement is expected. The agitation of the freight rate question is said to be having a depressing effect on traffic.

"I did not mean to kill her," Dewitt is alleged to have told the police. "I stuffed a stocking in her mouth because she was trying to scream. I was afraid that I would be arrested for disturbing the peace if she made a noise."

The cause of the struggle resulting in Mrs. Muller's death was her refusal to loan Dewitt \$2.

Hoch Offers a Reward. Governor Hoch has offered a reward of \$200 for the arrest and conviction of Thomas Mooney, who it is supposed murdered E. G. Grewell at Horton, Brown county, a few days ago, and fled. The arrest of Mooney must be made within 90 days to claim the reward.

Small Fire at Madison. Madison, Kan., Aug. 14.—An early morning fire here destroyed three frame buildings on Main street, including a general repair shop and residence property as well as an empty frame structure. The loss is about \$5,000 with \$3,500 insurance.

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